

# LifeGroup Meeting

Jesus Is My Hero 4  
"Jesus is Comes Running!"

## Get To Know You Question:

What was the last thing you squandered money on, and thought...that was a total waste of money!

## Let's Dig Deeper

**Jesus is my hero because he will always come running in compassion, even while I am a long way off!**

### 1. Someone read **Luke 15:11-13**

- Why do you think the father in the parable gave his younger son his inheritance early? How does this illustrate how God treats you?
- In some Bible translations, verse 13 states the younger son set off for the "far country". Describe how the "far country" looks.
- Have you ever experienced the "far country"? What was it like and how did you escape it?

### 2. Someone read **Luke 15:14-16**

- What spiritual principle is being illustrated in this passage?
- Why do you think the younger son tried to work himself out of his dilemma instead of returning to his father? In other words, why didn't he just go back to his father when he began to be in need?
  - i. How often do you think you try to work on your own problems instead of taking them to Jesus? (Think about the GAP illustration given during the sermon on us trying to bridge the gap.)
- Do you see a relationship between **Ephesians 2:8-9** and **Luke 15:14-16**? How should you apply **Ephesians 2:8-9** in your life today?

### 3. Someone read **Luke 15:17-19**

- What do you think verse 17 means by, "When he came to his senses...?"

- Describe a time in your life when you “came to your senses”. What circumstance brought you to this point?
- Compare/contrast the son’s attitude the day he left for the far country and the day he came to his senses.
- What is the spiritual parallel to the son’s statement in verse 19, “I am no longer worthy to be called your son”? (Use **1 Corinthians 15:9** to help with your answer.)

**4. Someone read Luke 15:20-21**

- What is significant about verse 20 stating, “So he got up and went to his father”?
- What is important about the words spoken by the son recorded in verse 21?
- How might you apply verse 21 in your life?

**5. Someone read Luke 15:22-24.**

- What are the four different blessings the father bestowed on the son? Are there any significance to these?
- Do you see any spiritual equivalents with the blessings given by the father that might compare to God’s blessings in your life?
- Would your relationship with Jesus be characterized as a celebration like the father and child in this story? Why or why not?
- What is it about the father in this story that impresses you the most?

6. How has Jesus been your hero this week?

7. Pray that Jesus would give us the wisdom to bridge the GAPS in our lives, rather than us always trying to fix it ourselves!